Fire Protection Policy Board

Special Meeting
January 11, 2006 – 12:30

FPPB Participants: Sharon Colby, Jennifer Gregerson, Dean Hosni, TJ

Nedrow, Wayne Wienholz, Joe Coultman, Jim Broman

FPB Staff: Acting State Fire Marshal Mike Matlick, Anjela Foster

and Ellen Tombleson

Guests: Judie Cline (representing Mark Kahley) Steve North,

Doug Bleeker, George Ziesemer and Kim Tanaka

Chair Sharon Colby called the meeting to order at approximately 12:30.

Fire Investigation Plan

In response to Jim Broman's question regarding how forwarding the Plan may affect county fire marshal responsibilities and what incentives there are for participating areas to continue to comply, it was explained that this is addressed through the tiered response outlined in the Plan, and that those all ready providing services will also benefit from the free training that will be provided.

Following a review of the initial meeting with FPB Staff and Senator Honeyford, it was stressed that the purpose of developing the plan was to provide fire investigation assistance to small, rural jurisdictions. It was also advised that the schedule to approve the plan is based on a follow up meeting with Senator Honeyford to allow time to submit legislation for funding.

In discussion on training, it was asked if the initial level I training requirement outlined in the Level I response would be reimbursable through the Basic Firefighter Training Program. Mike advised that he would get clarification on this and report back to the Board.

Wayne Wienholz voiced his concern on how this Plan could affect County Fire Marshal Offices. Following discussion, it was suggested that it be a collaborative effort to endorse enforcing county responsibilities, as it relates to Fire Marshal duties.

Motion: TJ Nedrow moved to approve the recommendations of the Fire Investigation Study Group, as submitted in the draft Plan.

Discussion on the Motion: Jim Broman recommended changing the word approve to endorse.

Motion: ...endorse the recommendations of the Fire Investigation Study Group, as submitted in the draft Plan.

Motion passes; 7 yea, 1 nay.

Mike Matlick acknowledged the work of the Study Group and thanked the representatives for their participation and effort.

HB 2436

Sharon distributed draft copies of HB 2436 relating to Unattended Service Stations, and advised that any input on this would need to be forwarded for a bill review by noon on Thursday, June 12.

In discussion it was clarified that if anything contained in a bill is in conflict with the state adopted fire code, the state code takes precedence.

Role of the Fire Protection Policy Board

Following up on discussion held earlier at the WA State Fire Service Leadership Forum meeting, Jim Broman advised that he advocates having a strong discussion on the role of the Fire Protection Policy Board to determine if they have advisory or policy responsibilities.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 p.m.